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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 7027**

**BILL NUMBER:** SB 323

**NOTE PREPARED:** Jan 4, 2013

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Battle Flag Preservation.

**FIRST AUTHOR:** Sen. Merritt

**BILL STATUS:** As Introduced

**FIRST SPONSOR:**

**FUNDS AFFECTED:** X GENERAL  
DEDICATED  
FEDERAL

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** This bill specifies that the Civil War Flags Fund, the purpose of which is to restore and preserve Civil War flags, consists of money appropriated by the General Assembly.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2013.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill specifies that money in the Civil War Flags Fund shall consist of money appropriated by the General Assembly. This bill does not make an appropriation to the fund, however. Any appropriation made to the Civil War Flags Fund would depend on legislative action.

**Background Information:** At the end of FY 2012, the Civil War Flags Fund contained \$545 and had \$788 in expenses. The fund is administered by the Indiana War Memorials Commission to use in preserving Civil War flags.

The Indiana War Memorial reports funding for the Civil War Flags Fund in prior years was provided by private donations. Since 2008, the Indiana War Memorials Commission reports restoring approximately 20 Civil War-era flags out of 400 total flags.

**Explanation of State Revenues:**

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Indiana War Memorials Commission.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

**Information Sources:** Auditor's Data; Stewart Goodwin, Executive Director, Indiana War Memorial.

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